

FRANCIS SPEER'S

Breezy "That" Column

That Isa Baum threw himself at her feet. But she turned from him with scorn. For he couldn't sell her a pair of shoes. That didn't hurt her corns.

That "Skinny" Keichline holds down third base as if it was a bag of gold.

That Maurice Otto won't let it happen again. He'll hereafter hold on to what he has.

That "Billy" McFarlane has been striking a pretty stiff pace on Howard street, of late.

That the early bird in Bellefonte may catch the worm but the late one often catches the "snakes."

That if there is anything in hypnotism some women in Bellefonte ought to have it so they could control their hired girls.

That "Jake" Levi, of Bellefonte, says probably there was never a redhead boy who wasn't called "Reddy" by his companions.

That if you desire to see some real pretty girls go to Millheim. That's what Jerome Spigelmyre says and he isn't too old to know.

That Harry Green, the Bellefonte druggist, says that a frog in the pond, on Fishing Creek, is worth more than a frog in your throat.

That when a young man in Bellefonte begins boasting that he "can drink whiskey or let it alone" then it is time for him to let it alone.

That Gehret & Lambert, the contractors for the new court house will have to get a hustle on. There will be no time between drinks there.

That they say that there was a real cute little fellow from Philadelphia, in Bellefonte the other day who was enjoying himself with a nice "Cherry."

That Hary Hutchinson, of Bellefonte, says if "Billy" Waddle had a cool million there is nothing that would burn a hole in his pocket any quicker—"Sure, Mike."

That it is said that one married man of Bellefonte was overheard saying to another married man, "I guess they are onto us." These fellows ought to muzzle that dog.

That it is said that the citizens of Wallace Run and Moose Run are wondering what kind of a meeting those two men and two women are holding at the old house on the hill.

That "Boby" Hood, of Bellefonte, would rather see a good, round game of base ball than eat a good square meal of chicken, turkey or even buckwheat cakes and ham gravy.

That the wisest man in Bellefonte is the one who realizes that every dog has his day, and tries to get out before the crash comes. Do you see the point. If you can't, get a needle.

That when Thomas Shaughenax, the Bellefonte jeweler, says he doesn't care what happens him he probably means it until he finds a girl he likes better than the one on Lamb street.

That since the abandonment of the Daily News we miss that pathetic expression. "He was 100 years old at the time of his death." The young and sprightly editor had that down pat.

That there is a young lady on Spring street, Bellefonte, who is very jealous of her lady friends who have beaux. They say pride goes before a fall, and that's what's the matter with her.

That if Capt. Brown, of the Bellefonte base ball team, wants to give his players some practice on how to steal bases he should take them to Philadelphia and make them slide to the curb to dodge automobiles.

That Bellefonte has certainly caught the spirit of '76 when it comes down to base ball. "Flem" Kline says George Washington, the father of our country, wasn't in it for a second with the generalship of Mitch Cunningham.

That if a certain gentleman in Bellefonte will take the time to look into a mirror he will be certain of seeing a partly educated hog. This is not the most refined way of putting it, but it serves the purpose to illustrate a true story.

That many a girl in Bellefonte has handed out a lemon to a young man who, in after life, became very sorry and greatly regretted her actions. She is now either an old maid or she has hitched up with the wrong fellow and is living a very unsatisfactory life.

That the first thing you know Deacon Harris will be around with a subscription paper to get money enough to buy a wire cage for Dr. Dave Dale to be used while he is impiring one of those exciting ball games. Boiler plate would be safer. What "Doc" says goes, and you don't you think it doesn't, cage or no cage.

That the man in Bellefonte who says talk is cheap never had to pay his wife's extra charges for talking on the phone. Here is where manager "Wit" Smith and W. S. Mallalieu, the telephone managers, got it on the other fellows. A man with a talkative wife is not to be envied from a financial or a commercial standpoint.

That whispering in company not only denotes ill-breeding but it is cowardly. If ladies or gentlemen desire to talk secrets they excuse themselves and leave the company of their friends while in a whispering mood. We have some thoughtless women in Bellefonte who should try and leave this soak in their brains.

That the other day we were asked if Bellefonte had any men in it who worshipped money more than God. Sure, we have. There are men in Bellefonte who sit in the pews in the front part of our churches on Sunday who never hear a word the preacher says because of thinking about how to skin some one to get a measly dollar. These fellows are sacrificing their lust for gold here but in the next world they will be as poor as Lazarus.

OVER THE COUNTY.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Stover, of Millheim, are rejoicing in the arrival of a baby daughter.

F. P. Royer is making preparations to build a new dwelling house on his lot in Millheim.

The third annual teachers reunion of Sugar valley will be held at Greenburr on Saturday, August 7.

Wm. Driebilbis has resigned his position at the college dairy barns in order to accept the superintendency of a large dairy near Greensburg.

Apples may reach half a crop in this county this season. For potatoes there was a promising prospect but want of rain may reduce the crop one half.

Belle Lowry, who has been spending a few days in Tyrone, returned to her home at State College accompanied by Mrs. Victor Wike and little son, Jack.

The Farmers' Institutes, for Millin county are as follows: McVeytown, December, 13-14; Milroy, December, 15-16. M. M. Naginey, Milroy, instructor.

Mrs. Henry Lowry and daughter Bettie, of State College, departed on Thursday for a visit to her mother, Mrs. Mary Love at Vandergrift, also to her sister, Mrs. James Sellers at Ford City.

Plans for the new Methodist church at State College are being drawn by the architect. The new building will be built on the present church site and will cost in the neighborhood of \$30,000.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Harrison, of Jersey Shore, who had been making an extended visit at the home of Deputy Sheriff J. B. Strohm, at Centre Hall, passed through on their way home.

On the Louisa Harris farm, a mile east of Linden Hill, the tenant, C. W. Weaver, has sixty-five acres out in corn, which Mr. Weaver pronounces among the best in this county; he is a good farmer.

Farmer James Kustenborder, of Ferguson township, is foused up for repairs with a badly injured jaw, caused by the limb of a tree striking him several weeks ago. Some teeth had to be extracted.

A new threshing outfit was put into the field by Noah and John Brungart, of near Rebersburg. The threshing is a modern one, and was hauled from Bellefonte to Rebersburg by a traction engine.

Miss Damaris Knox, who the past two years has been in Philadelphia as a seamstress for the Misses Snook, has been spending her vacation at the home of her parents, James Knox and wife, of Buffalo Run.

Recently George E. Homan, the Millheim horseman, shipped a carload of horses to Philadelphia. The lot consisted of heavy drafters and was the finest lot of horses shipped from this section for years.

Reese Auman, son of W. N. Auman, of Millheim, is suffering with a severe bruise on the knee of his left leg. He had been out catching frogs several weeks ago when he injured the knee and ever since he has had severe pains in the leg.

All the old teachers of the State College borough schools, with the exception of Edith Wentzel, have been re-elected. Flora Penny, of Snow Shoe, is the new teacher. The board of education is making a number of changes at the high school building.

The Odd Fellows of Boalsburg, who have the reputation of being royal entertainers, will hold a festival in the town hall on Friday and Saturday evenings, Aug. 6 and 7. A number of State College "odd fellows" as well as other fellows will attend the festivities.

Mrs. James Lowry and children, of Crystal City, Miss., are spending their vacation at the Lowry home at State College. Mrs. Lowry went to Harrisburg last week, being called there by the serious illness of her mother, while the children remained with the grandparents.

A union picnic of all the Sunday schools, business men and citizens of Millheim, will be held in Dr. G. S. Frank's grove west of that town, Thursday, August 12. All the business places in town are expected to be closed on that day and everybody will spend a day in the woods.

J. Hol. Crouse, of Aaronsburg, sold his gray driving horse, "Dick" and he was shipped with a carload to Philadelphia, where he was sold at public sale to an Altoona man. "Dick" was considered, by horsemen, to be one of the finest family horses in that part of the state, and Mr Crouse received a hand some price for him.

If the Centre county chestnut crop does not turn out to be a heavy one it will be on account of the recent dry spell which may have affected the crop. The trees, during the period of blossoming, were covered as if by a white woolen blanket; the shades of the forest, however, may have preserved moisture enough to give the nuts a chance to mature.

Lieut. W. W. Bierly Post, No 298, G. A. R., and Major R. Henry Foster Camp, Sons of Veterans, will hold a picnic Saturday, 7, near Rebersburg. Invitation is extended to every person to attend. There will be unusual entertainments, among other things, bands, a sham battle, speeches and a camp fire. A festival in the evening at Rebersburg.

Another of the Pennsylvania State College graduates secured a good position. Reference is made to Harry Burkholder, of Centre Hill, who just graduated in June. He is now located at Logansport, Indiana, and is employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company as inspector of the electric switches and signals, his territory being from Bradford, Ohio, west to Chicago.

J. C. Auman's saw mill, near Wolfs Store, was totally destroyed by fire on Monday July 26. The origin of the fire is unknown, but it is presumed it caught from a spark from the engine. The mill had been in operation until noon and the workmen had gone for dinner, and upon their return found the roof so much burned that it was already falling down, and nothing could be saved. A new traction engine was being used to furnish the power for the mill. About three thousand feet of lumber and a lot of shingles were burned. This is a heavy loss for Mr. Auman as he had no insurance.

W. L. Hosterman, of Coburn, and J. Spigelmyer, of that place, swapped teams and each one thinks he got the better of the bargain.

Rev. W. K. Harnish is taking a vacation, therefore there will be no regular service in the Presbyterian church at Boalsburg, until the first Sunday in September.

Rev. W. K. Foster, serving a charge near Philadelphia, is taking his vacation among Centre county friends. He filled the Presbyterian appointments at State College Sunday.

A double dwelling house, at Scotia, was completely destroyed by fire recently. The house was owned by the Bellefonte Furnace Company, and was occupied by Ross Grove and Andrew Tomco, neither of whom had any insurance.

Samuel Baker, of Dea Moines, Ia., who left this county 40 years ago for the west, is visiting relatives throughout the county. Mr. Baker is well preserved and quite active and surprised his many friends, who were certainly glad to see him. While at State College he visited Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Shope.

James Holmes, of State College, has purchased the Mrs. Albert Hoy property, corner College avenue and Frazier street; consideration \$5,000. Some time ago he sold a valuable property in that borough and most of this summer lived in a bungalow on the farm, near the borough. He evidently became tired of that and thought he would get something more substantial.

The Summer assembly of the Sunday schools in the Centre Hall Lutheran charge is being held in the grove on the Henney farm, near the Indian Marker. The speakers for the occasion are Dr. C. T. Aiken, president of the Susquehanna University, who will speak on "Need of Education in Christian Character," and Rev. F. W. Barry, of Bellefonte, whose subject is "Lutheran Fellowship." Sports have also been arranged for.

Prof. F. E. Poss, who for 13 years was connected with the civil engineering department of the Pennsylvania State College, and later connected with the Carnegie Technical schools, has been elected professor of civil engineering at Cooper Union, New York City, at a handsome salary. He will assume his duties on September 1. Prof. Poss is one of the best engineers in his line in the country and his many friends here and elsewhere will be glad to learn of his advancement.

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